

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Community Commons Building, Room 1406/07 (Gregg Chadwick Community Boardroom)
1500 W. Raab Road, Normal, IL
January 21, 2025
6:00 pm**

Members Present: Becky Ropp, Josh Crockett, Janet Hood, Tom Whitt, Auston Koch, Mary Campbell, Jon Kilgore

Members Absent: Cecelia Long

Others Present: Keith Cornille, Nora Dukowitz, Rick Pearce, Sarah Diel-Hunt, Andy Litwiller, Greg Huss (Farnsworth), Laura Hughs, Chris Downing, Steve Fast, Scott Bross, Trevor Hoberty, Jen O'Connor, Barb Leathers, Jean-Marie Taylor, Terrance Bond

Chair Becky Ropp called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Keith Cornille thanked those that presented at and toured the Challenger Learning Center at the Board Workshop prior to the Regular Meeting. He also thanked Jose Miranda and Genesis Santiago from the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) for their presentation at the semester kick-off last week. President Cornille then previewed the items for the Regular Meeting, including an enrollment update and items from the Finance Committee.

Greg Huss of Farnsworth gave a brief update on the upcoming Constitution Trail extension project of campus.

Terrance Bond gave an overview of the College's Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Recognition, which is due to the state by the end of January. This is a self-study. He explained the purpose of the process. It is a five-year cycle. "Recognition" means the College is eligible for state funding. An institution can have its recognition continued, continued with conditions, or interrupted. HCC is in good shape for an on-time, complete submission.

CABINET REPORTS

Dr. Sarah Diel-Hunt gave a report on enrollment using First Day data.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Trustee Janet Hood reported on the activities of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee received a brief update on the tuition and fees proposal, which is anticipated to go to the Finance Committee and then the Board next month for a recommendation and approval, respectively.

Laura Hughs gave a FY25 Midyear Budget Update, followed by a presentation by Noah Lamb on the FY26 budget development as it stands now.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

ICCTA

The next event upcoming ICCTA event is the National Legislative Summit in Washington D.C. Trustee Tom Whitt discussed legislative agenda items that may be discussed as well as some of the breakout sessions that will be held.

Student Trustee

Trustee Auston Koch reported that it is Welcome Week, though the Involvement Fair was rescheduled to tomorrow due to the campus closure for cold weather today. The Game Room is having its grand opening this week. Trustee Koch also detailed other upcoming student events, including Heartland Night at an upcoming Bloomington Bison game.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Tom Whitt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Approval of Bills
- Minutes: December 10, 2024 Special Meeting; December 17, 2024 Workshop & Regular Meeting; January 7, 2025 Special Meeting
- Travel Expenditures
- Second Reading – Board Policy: Campus & Community

Trustee Auston Koch seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

NON-PERSONAL ACTION ITEMS

Approval of SCB Data Room Project

Trustee Janet Hood made a motion to approve the SCB Data Room Project. Trustee Mary Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Energy Systems/Charging Infrastructure Technician Microcertificate

Trustee Janet Hood made a motion to approve the Energy Systems/Charging Infrastructure Technician Microcertificate. Trustee Tom Whitt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION providing for the issue of not to exceed \$37,000,000 General Obligation Bonds of the District for the purpose of paying claims against the District and increasing the working cash fund of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

Trustee Janet Hood made a motion to approve the Bond Resolution. Trustee Jon Kilgore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Tom Whitt made a motion to go into Closed Session. Trustee Auston Koch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Tom Whitt made a motion to end Closed Session. Trustee Mary Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Janet Hood made a motion to return to Open Session. Trustee Tom Whitt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Monthly Personnel Actions

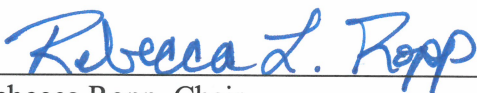
Trustee Auston Koch made a motion to approve the Monthly Personnel Actions. Trustee Josh Crockett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Faculty Sabbatical Leave Recommendations

Trustee Tom Whitt made a motion to return to approve the Faculty Sabbatical Leave Recommendations. Trustee Josh Crockett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Tom Whitt made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Janet Hood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at approximately 8:35 pm.



Rebecca Ropp, Chair



Josh Crockett, Secretary